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THIS IS A FINAL ACTION.

This Office action is in response to the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board's remand of jurisdiction filed on August 1, 2016. See TMBP 1205.01.

On March 3, 2015 the examining attorney issued a final refusal of the application under Section 2(e)(4) of the Lanham Act, this was the only ground for refusal. On March 13, 2015 the applicant filed an Amendment to Allege Use which was accepted by the examining attorney. Applicant appealed the examiner's decision to the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board on September 2, 2015. In applicant's appeal brief dated November 2, 2015, the applicant brought up a new issue that was not handled in any of the previous filings or correspondence, applicant sought registration on the supplemental register – in the alternative - should the Board affirm the decision of the examining attorney. The Board has remanded jurisdiction to the examining attorney to render examination on this singular issue.

At this juncture the only ground for refusal of the application continues to be Section 2(e)(4) of the Lanham Act, that the mark is primarily merely a surname. This issue was made final in the March 3, 2015 Office action. Applicant's alternative argument for registration does not immediately obviate the Section 2(e)(4) refusal; however, such an amendment is acceptable should the Board affirm the examining attorney and would obviate the Section 2(e)(4) refusal. Jurisdiction will be restored to the Broad and the appeal will resume now that examination as to applicant's amendment to seek registration on the Supplemental Register in the alternative has been decided. *See* TMBP 1204; TMEP §715.04(b).

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